

RAILROAD NEWS.

Rock Island Cannot Get Enough Men.

Excuse for Failure to Handle Oklahoma Traffic.

MUDGE ON THE STAND.

Vice President Testifies at Interstate Hearing.

Gossip and Matters of Interest in Railroad Circles.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Feb. 2.—The scarcity of men to handle the engines and trains has been more than anything responsible for the inability of the railroad to handle traffic in Oklahoma, and other parts of the country during the past year. With the increased scarcity of labor, the quality of it is deteriorating, resulting in the railroad being compelled to take what they can get.

Such was the statement of H. U. Mudge, vice president of the Rock Island, during his examination concerning the physical condition of the Rock Island lines in Oklahoma and Indian Territory, at the hearing here today before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty. Mr. Mudge said that the condition of the lines in Oklahoma was as bad as it could be, but with the expenditure of \$2,000,000 on contemplated and under way improvements the lines would be in very good condition.

FOR NEW ROCK ISLAND SHOPS. Work to begin in the Spring on the Armourdale Plant.

Kansas City, Feb. 2.—The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad will begin work on its new repair shops in Armourdale early in the spring. The new shops will be large enough to care for repair work and rebuilding for the Kansas City divisions of all Rock Island lines. The force of men, which is about 100 at present, will be increased to three or four times that number. Several cars of materials for the building of the shops are already in the yards.

About a year ago the Rock Island began the expenditure of 1 million dollars in the building of new yards, round houses and shops. The new yards will contain about 90 miles of track and will have accommodations for 5,000 cars. They will extend from the Rock Island Genesee street yard to Cedar Bend, more than one mile beyond the limits of Armourdale. The new industry will employ about 300 men.

C. & N. W. SUE D 2,140 TIMES.

Farmer Wants \$10 For Every Engine That Has Crossed His Land.

Appleton, Wis., Feb. 2.—Henry Miller, a farmer, began 2,140 suits against the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company for \$21,400—\$10 for every locomotive that has crossed his farm since the death of his son, a child of five, and crossing at the point where the railroad crosses his farm. The complaints in these cases fill about 600 typewritten pages.

Rate Relief Promised.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Intimation has been given the Chicago Commercial association that relief will soon be given in the southeastern rate situation. The railroad in that territory have asked the association to grant them a little indulgence on account of the death of the president of the Southern and have assured that body that speedy consideration will be given the question. The association recently told the southern presidents that it was "up to them" to reduce the rates into the southeast sufficiently to eradicate the discrimination now existing in favor of the eastern cities. Failure to do so would result in an appeal to the commission, which once declared the present adjustment of rates to be discriminative and unjust to the middle west.

Langby Has Resigned.

J. A. Langby has resigned as chief clerk for Vice President H. U. Mudge of the Rock Island, and has been succeeded by E. A. Fleming, formerly chief clerk for J. E. Hurley, general manager for the Santa Fe at Topeka.

Long Is Master Mechanic.

R. G. Long has been appointed master mechanic of the Missouri Pacific system at Fort Scott, Kan., in place of W. C. Walsh, resigned. He comes from the Memphis division. The change is effective today.

Beverington Succeeds Russell.

C. H. Beverington, trainmaster at Little Rock, succeeds J. Russell as superintendent of the Omaha division, Missouri Pacific.

Missouri Pacific Increases Shop Wages.

Sedalia, Mo., Feb. 2.—Notice was received today at the local Missouri

MAY BE COFFEE That Causes All the Trouble.

When the house is afire, it's like a body when disease begins to show, it's no time to talk but time to act—delay is dangerous—remove the cause of the trouble at once.

"For a number of years," says a Kansas lady, "I felt sure that coffee was hurting me, and yet, I was so fond of it, I could not give it up. I paltered with my appetite and of course yielded to the temptation to drink more. At last I got so bad that I made up my mind I must either quit the use of coffee or die."

"Everything I ate distressed me, and I suffered severely almost all the time with palpitation of the heart. I frequently woke up in the night with the feeling that I was almost gone, my heart seemed as if it would stop, and I was so weak that I feared I would stop beating. My breath grew short and the least exertion set me to panting. I slept but little and suffered from rheumatism."

"Two years ago I stopped using the old kind of coffee and began to use Postum Food Coffee, and from the very first I began to improve. I worked a miracle! Now I can eat anything and digest it without trouble. I sleep like a baby, and my heart beats full, strong and easily. My breathing has become steady and normal, and my rheumatism has left me. I feel like another person, and it is all due to quitting coffee and using Postum Food Coffee. For I haven't used any medicine and none would have done any good as long as I kept drugging with coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. "There's a Reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. All gro-

GRATEFUL MEN AND WOMEN PRAISE PE-RU-NA

MRS. ELLEN NAGLE

HON. C. C. BROOKS

MRS. H. A. S. MARSH

Mrs. Ellen Nagle, 414 4th St., Green Bay, Wis., writes: "I have often heard Peru-na praised and it is more widely known here than other medicines, but I never knew what a splendid medicine it really was until a few weeks ago when I caught a bad cold which settled all over me.

"The doctor wanted to prescribe, but I told him I was going to try Peru-na and sent for a bottle and tried it. I felt much better the next morning and within five days I had not a trace of any lameness or cough."

Prince Jonah Kalaniana'ole, Dewey Hotel, Washington, D. C., delegate to Congress from Hawaii, writes: "I can cheerfully recommend your Peru-na as a very effective remedy for coughs, colds and catarrhal trouble."

MRS. S. M. MORRIS

PRINCE JONAH KALANIANA'OLE

Malarial Fever for Several Months.

Mrs. Sue M. Morris, 2214 Patterson St., Nashville, Tenn., writes: "Last fall a severe attack of malarial fever laid me up for some months. My condition was serious for a time and the doctor who was attending me did not seem able to cope with the trouble."

"A neighbor advised me to let the doctor's prescription alone and try Peru-na, extolling its virtues to the skies, and I am now ready to do the same. For three days I was much better and in ten days I was able to be up and in two weeks every trace of malaria had left my system."

"I now use Peru-na off and on when in need of a tonic and it braces me up wonderfully."

"The Doctors Gave Me Up."

Mr. Lewis Kitchen, Hullington, Ohio, writes: "I cannot thank you enough for the good you Peru-na has done me. About six months ago I could not leave my bed, and the doctors gave me up saying that I had consumption and could not live. Then a friend recommended Peru-na to me, and I commenced using it."

"When I started to use your Peru-na I weighed 117 pounds, and now I weigh 172 pounds. I had been sick for ten years, and was so sick I could not turn over in bed when I began the use of Peru-na. I think it is the greatest medicine of its time."

"I am now feeling well and hearty and would not be without Peru-na."

Weak and Nervous. Mr. Charles Brown, Rogersville, Tenn., writes:

"I feel it my duty to write you a few words in praise of your Peru-na. I have tried many different remedies, but have found that Peru-na is the greatest tonic on earth, and a perfect system builder."

"A friend advised me to take Peru-na for indigestion, and it cured me in a short time. I was very weak and nervous, could sleep but little at night, but Peru-na cured that tired, all-gone feeling, and made me feel like a new man, so I heartily recommend it to all who are weak and run down. Peru-na will give new life and energy. I cannot speak too highly of Peru-na, and will not forget to recommend it on every hand. I will answer any letter from those desiring to know what Peru-na has done for me."

Systemic Catarrh.

Miss Marie Lesser, 928 W. 36th street, Chicago, Ill., writes: "I am glad to give a good word for Peru-na, and I hope that all who see this who are troubled with systemic catarrh as I was for years, will profit by it. I had tried many remedies, but none did more than give me temporary relief and some did not even do that. I took Peru-na at the suggestion of a friend and was more than pleased and surprised at the results."

"I am now perfectly well and strong."

True Cause of Disease.

In these days almost every ailment is supposed to be caused by disease germs.

"The medical profession as well as the people, seem to have gone mad over the germ theory of disease. The universal fear and dread of disease germs is becoming a very serious matter to the welfare and happiness of the people."

Dr. Hartman has consistently maintained through all the rise and spread of the germ theory, that most diseases are caused by climatic influences.

For instance, catching cold is responsible for more than one-half of the ills to which human beings are subject.

Danger of Neglected Colds.

A person catches cold easily, thinks nothing about it, neglects it, when it finally becomes settled in some organ of the body, and chronic disease is the result.

A few doses of Peru-na in the beginning of the cold would have saved months of suffering, as well as great expense for treatment.

Peru-na is a reliable relief for cold. Almost everybody knows this.

Instead of trying to dislocate or kill some imaginary germ, if Peru-na was used at the proper time its tonic properties and anti-catharral qualities would soon convince the patient that he has found the right remedy.

A multitude of letters are received testifying to this fact.

Keep Peru-na in the house. Use it whenever cold or climatic affections assail, and sickness in the household will become greatly lessened, if not entirely prevented.

Catarrh of the Stomach.

Mr. Christian Hofmann, R. F. D. 1, Slattington, Pa., writes:

"For many years I suffered with catarrh of the stomach. I was coughing day and night. After having tried three doctors and many remedies, one of your almanacs came to my hand, and I bought some Peru-na. So far I have taken six bottles, and I have not suffered with catarrh this summer. I am cured and I write you to give Peru-na to my children when they feel bad and you should see how healthy they are."

Nose, Throat and Stomach.

Mr. Delbert B. Craft, Lowell, Ind., writes:

"For a long time I suffered with chronic catarrh of the nose, throat and stomach. I would continually take cold and my stomach was in bad condition. I truly suffered untold misery. I took various medicines and tried the treatment of several physicians, but I felt no better. A friend advised me to take Peru-na. I wrote Dr. Hartman, who prescribed treatment. As soon as I commenced to take Peru-na I was surprised at the relief it gave me. I kept on taking it until I had taken three bottles and was cured."

Mrs. Joseph Vittur, 5709 Erie street, Austin, Sta., Chicago, Ill., writes:

"Your medicine Peru-na was of great benefit to me. I suffered with catarrh of the nose and head for many years. Three bottles of Peru-na cured me, after I had considered it impossible to ever be cured again. I now always keep Peru-na in the house, and recommend it to every one suffering from catarrh as a good remedy."

RECORD BREAKER.

The Past Month Had Warmest January Day in 40 Years.

Also Had the Most Rainfall According to Dr. Snow.

CLOUDIER THAN USUAL

The Highest Temperature of the Month Was 70 Degrees.

The Lowest Was 8 Degrees Above on January 26.

Lawrence, Kan., Feb. 2.—According to the monthly weather report issued by Dr. F. H. Snow of the university, January was a record breaker. It had the highest maximum temperature of the forty years' record and with one exception the lowest minimum temperature. The highest temperature of the month was 70 degrees on the seventh; the lowest was 8 degrees above zero, January 26.

There was also a record breaker from the point of rainfall. The .456 inches which fell last month was the largest amount ever recorded in January in the forty years Dr. Snow has kept the record. This is .328 inches above the usual January average. The month was 25 per cent cloudier than usual.

LAST HONORS FOR COL. BLUE.

The funeral sermon preached in Presbyterian Church at Pleasanton.

Pleasanton, Kan., Feb. 2.—The funeral of the late Colonel R. W. Blue was held in the Presbyterian church in this city at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon. The sermon was by the Rev. W. S. Smalley of the Third Presbyterian church of Kansas City.

At the request of the family the services were very simple, the members of the societies to which he belonged attending as individuals, except the members of Jewell Post G. A. R., who attended as an organization. Colonel Blue was always a great champion of the interests of the old soldiers and his comrades were deeply affected by the loss of their friend.

The family, consisting of his widow, one son, John W. Blue of Vineta, I. T., and two daughters, Mrs. William Bennett of Concordia and Mrs. Dr. J. Dale Graham of New Mexico, were present.

BANKS FULL OF MONEY.

The Eleven Institutions in Clay County Have \$1,200,000 on Deposit.

Clay Center, Kan., Feb. 2.—According to the statements issued by the banks here upon the call of the national and state officials, individual deposits in Clay Center's banks have passed the million mark. The total individual deposits in the Clay Center banks last Saturday were about \$1,200,000, the highest mark ever reached by the deposits in the banks here. The other banks in the county will swell the total deposits for the county.

ty to over 1 1/2 million dollars. Clay county has eleven banks.

PEACH BUDS ALL RIGHT.

Other Fruit in Good Condition, Too, in Northwest Kansas.

A number of fruit men who are good authority on the condition of the fruit buds, have been seen by the Union reporter and all report nearly the same thing—that the condition of the peach buds at this time is good. The cold thus far has not been sufficient to kill them.

One orchardist said he had examined many trees in his orchard and had found no buds killed and says they are in excellent shape for a good crop. There is little chance of the buds being killed in February, although we have had cold weather in February before that would have killed them, but they have usually been killed in January, where the weather in the former month was severe enough to do the damage.

Orchardists also report that the buds of plum, cherry, plum, etc., are in almost perfect condition for a crop the coming season. Still we are not out of the woods yet. February may go 16 degrees below zero or 16 degrees below zero. Whenever it drops to more than 16 degrees below zero peaches can be counted as done for. No matter how high the temperature bud may be in it, it will kill them if continued longer than one night.—Sallina Union.

MARRIED A COLORED WOMAN.

A Pronounced Blonde Takes an Independence Negro for a Wife.

Independence, Kan., Feb. 2.—Judge A. B. Yeager, assistant in the office of Probate Judge Swatwell, had a rather startling experience yesterday, this experience being nothing more nor less than a call to the altar by a white man, a white woman and a black woman, or at least a very pronounced mulatto.

The contracting parties were Henry C. Cramer and Constance Benson, and live somewhere near Liberty. Cramer is a white man and a blonde, while his bride, as before stated, is a mulatto, with the features of a negro quite pronounced. In taking a white man for a husband she is but following the example of her mother, who married a New Yorker and a pure-blooded Caucasian. The mother was of pure African descent, black as the ace of spades, and hair as kinky as it ever gets to be, it is said. The two settled in Liberty town thirty years ago, and have resided there ever since.

People who saw the affair could scarcely believe their eyes.

New Personage for Pratt.

The Methodists are going to build a new parsonage. They will erect a good modern house at a cost of about \$3,000. A committee has been appointed and will go to work at once to provide a site and means for the building.—Pratt Union.

It May Be an Elopement.

John Potts and Walter Serratts came to town this morning and engaged the services of Marshal Tolles to try and run down a missing couple. It is supposed that one Ellsworth Brockway has gone off with Mr. Serratts.

COAL

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retts' wife, Ethel. They were traced to Clay Center, it is said, where they left a horse and buggy in the old Need barn, but further than that no trace has been had of them.—Clay Center Republican.

A FALL EXPOSED HIM.

Deaf and Dumb Man Slipped to the Sidewalk and Swore Roundly.

Iola, Kan., Feb. 2.—For several days past a tramp carrying a card stating that he is deaf and dumb, in addition to being one of the San Francisco sufferers, has been working the people in the south part of town. The deaf and dumb story on the card won him sympathy and hand-outs. Last evening the deaf and dumb man took a tumble on the sidewalk. Some youngsters standing near by laughed at him, and he proceeded to hand out a line of profanity which would have done credit to the lamented Captain Kidd. The fact of his reputation for being deaf and dumb has received its knockout blow and he will probably move on to some other town.

Big Butler County Ranch.

E. N. Smith is home from Topeka, where he completed the deal for 160 acres of land in Seymour town, Butler Co., and Mrs. Smith now own a 960-acre ranch, all in one body, in that

township, that is well watered with springs and a branch, is fairly well improved and all under fence. The thing to do is to put your money into Butler county land.—El Dorado Republican.

A GREAT SHEEP COUNTRY.

Twenty-two Carloads Sent from Malze in One Shipment.

Malze, a small station on the Missouri Pacific railway northwest of Wichita, is considered to be one of the best points in southern Kansas for fattening sheep in the winter. Corn is raised in the vicinity of Malze and a corn failure is seldom known. For this reason that town, Colwich and Andale, yearly are visited by sheep men of the semi-desert country to the west.

This year there has been an unusually large number of sheep fed at Malze, Colwich and Andale. Last night twenty-two cars loaded with sheep were shipped out of Malze for the market. When it is considered that each car will hold about 200 sheep some idea of the number of sheep kept so close to Wichita may be had when this shipment represents but one feeder and there are dozens of feeders using the corn and stubble fields northwest of the city.—Wichita Beacon.

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